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NEW TESTIMONY IS VERY DAMAGING

Interest Unabated in the
Wooldridge Trial at
Farmville, Va.

ALBEMARLE SHERIFF ANSWERS SUBPOENA

The Evidence of Edloe Spencer
Regarded as Very Damaging
to Defense—Warm Dis-
cussions Over the Ad-
mission of Evi-
dence.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FARMVILLE, VA., January 3.—The
Wooldridge trial continued to-day, with
unabated interest, and was marked by
heated discussion between counsel for
the defense and the prosecution as to the
admission of testimony.

Deputy Sheriff Bliss arrived here to-
night with Clarence Sutherland, the
missing Albemarle witness, and the sher-
iff of that county, against whom a rule
was made for not making return upon
the subpoena issued against Sutherland,
and this will add further interest to to-
morrow's session.

The second day of the trial brought
forth some testimony which to the
minds of many who crowded the court
room, was materially damaging to the
prisoner. The chief testimony which
may do the defense harm was the re-
peating of conversations that witnesses had
had with Wooldridge, both before and
after the conflagration, which destroyed
some eight or nine buildings on the
Forbes premises.

Soon after 12, C. Wooldridge, the pris-
oner, was brought into court this morn-
ing. He was joined by his wife and daugh-
ter, who were close to him throughout
the day.

Damaging Evidence.

Witness J. H. Forbes, a relative of
the late John Forbes, who lives three-
quarters of a mile from the burned pre-
mises, testified to have had a number of
conversations with the prisoner, both be-
fore and after the fire. Wooldridge told
him that the burning of the Forbes
home was planned on February 27th.
It was one month after the fire that
Wooldridge told the witness this. Woold-
ridge talked a great deal about the
fire, and said that he (Wooldridge) had
been in the hollow of his hand.
Witness said that Wooldridge cursed and
abused in a dreadful manner the whole
Forbes family. Questioned by Mr. Bond,
witness was unable to say which family
of Forbeses Wooldridge referred to in
his abuses.

Continuing, the witness said that the
prisoner told him some time prior to the
date of the fire that there was "holme
to be a big 'bus' up over at Forbes
home, and if he had control of the
house, he would kill the last damn
one of them.

Mr. Alex Forbes.

Mr. Alex Forbes, another relative of the
owner of the largest buildings and a su-
pervisor of Buckingham, was the next
witness, whose testimony also the pris-
oner's cause materially.

He testified that on the 31st of Decem-
ber, two months prior to the fire, Woold-
ridge, in presence of J. H. Forbes and
himself, said Charlie Forbes was a dan-
gerous man, and there would be a burst-
up soon at his home. Again, when in
jail, Wooldridge told Mr. Alex Forbes to
come to see him, and while conversing
with him in his cell, Wooldridge asked:
"Do you think, like the balance of the
people, that this affair is a great mys-
tery?"

Being answered in the affirmative,
Wooldridge continued:

"I could explain it all, and will after
I am out. I would do so now, but it
would ruin that body."

"That boy" referred to Charlie Forbes,
who was then in another cell awaiting
trial under a joint indictment with Woold-
ridge.

Mrs. Mary Turner, an elderly lady, was
put upon the stand. She lives on the
road leading from Appomattox to Woold-
ridge's home. The morning after the
fire the prisoner came past her house on
his way to the depot. He stopped to
warm himself, and she asked him if the
house was destroyed the night before. She
asked how it happened. Wooldridge said
he didn't know, unless, perhaps, the boys
getting cold in the night, started a fire
in the cook-room, which caught the house.

A Star Witness.

Edloe Spencer, a Norfolk and Western
engineer, who was one of the party who
arrested Wooldridge, was a star witness
for the prosecution. He went over to
Buckingham on the 23d day of May to see
if he could find out anything about the
fire. He went to Wooldridge's home, and
Wooldridge told him that Charlie Forbes
had nothing to do with the fire. Witness
said he asked:

"If Charlie Forbes had nothing to do
with the burning, then tell me who did?"

Wooldridge threw his eyes upon the
ground, and replied:

"I know nothing about it."

The witness then said:

"Mr. Wooldridge, we have always been
good friends, and I have something very
unpleasant to do. I will have to take
you."

The prisoner replied:

"All right, I have been expecting it."

He then asked to be given time to put
on some other clothes, and was told that
a reasonable time would be allowed, but
that Pogue (police officer from Farm-
ville, who was with witness), and witness
would have to go with him to his room.
Mr. Spencer went on to testify that
Wooldridge remarked while changing his
clothes that some money he had
might be stolen from Mr. Forbes.
Wooldridge asked witness why officers
from Buckingham didn't come to get him;
that he knew the reason.

"You couldn't get one in the county to
come in here."

Mrs. Wooldridge was standing near the
door to the room in which the prisoner
and his captors were and she, echoing
her husband's remarks, said:

"Not even would Edmund Hubbard
dare put his feet in here," referring to
(Continued on Second Page.)

BIRDSEYE VIEW OF PORT ARTHUR, SHOWING JAPS' POSITION DURING ADVANCE.



TRYING TO SAVE JOB FOR ROGERS

Collectorship of Richmond Dis-
trict Now Claiming Atten-
tion of Republicans.

SLEMP & OTHERS AT CAPITAL

Treat, in Good Humor, Says He
Knows Nothing of Talk of
New Position for Him.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 3.—
Interest in the marshalling of the East-
ern District of Virginia, which was re-
cently intense because of the summary
dismissal of Marshall Treat by the Pres-
ident and the appointment of J. E. B.
Stuart, son of the Confederate cavalier,
is decidedly on the wane, and the collec-
torship of the Richmond district is now
claiming the attention of Republican
politicians. The term of Collector Asa
Rogers will expire in about one month,
and there is some doubt that he will
be reappointed. Of course, Captain Rogers
wishes to succeed himself; Edgar Allan,
Jr., of Richmond, wants the position; so
does M. K. Lowry, of Stafford county,
and R. O. Dyer, of Southampton county.
It is being backed by George B. Bowden,
member of the Republican National Com-
mittee from Virginia. It is said that
friends of Dyer are counting on being
much helped by the fact that he was a
school-mate of National Chairman Cor-
tey. Such claims have not had much
weight with the President since the elec-
tion.

It is not believed that any of the gen-
tlemen named as opponents of Captain
Rogers will be appointed, though it may
be that the President will do as he did in
the case of Marshall Treat and later to
the counsel of Thomas Nelson Page and
John S. Wise, remove the incumbent and
appoint a man who is not an applicant.

What Treat Says.

Marshall Treat said to-night he did not
expect the President to withdraw the
nomination of Captain Stuart. "I don't
protest against the action of the Presi-
dent," said Saturday. "I am not specially de-
sireous of an appointment of any charac-
ter." One of the wealthiest men in Rich-
mond has recently made me a business
offer, which, if accepted, will be much
better for me in a financial way than
the one I will give up. I expect to turn
over the office to Captain Stuart about
the 1st of next month. I have an engage-
ment to go with him to the Department
of Justice to-morrow and introduce him
to the officials with whom he will be
thrown when he enters on his duties.
Stuart and myself are the best of friends."

Slemp for Rogers.

It is believed that the reappointment
of Mr. Rogers will be urged by the refer-
ence committee appointed at the recent

Roanoke conference, and which is headed
by Representative Slemp. Mr. Slemp is
the real committee, as a matter of fact,
and it is said he is friendly to Captain
Rogers. Both were Confederate soldiers.
Republicans have not yet gotten over
the action of John S. Wise in having
Stuart appointed to the marshalling in
order to get him out of the way of his
kinsman, who is an applicant for the
position of collector of the port of New-
port News. Stuart applied for the place
of marshal, but never applied for the place
of marshal. Captain Wise is said to have
remarked recently, in discussing the case,
that "he knew the gun was loaded, but
did not know it was going off so soon."

Judge Edmund Waddell, Marshal Treat,
Marshall S. Brown, Allen, of the Western
District of Virginia, Collector Rogers
and Judge J. L. Lewis, attorney for the
Eastern District, are some of the Republi-
can officeholders here to-night, not to
mention Representative Slemp and Cap-
tain Stuart.

A term of the United States Court opens
at Alexandria to-morrow, and Judge Wad-
dell and Marshal Treat will be here sev-
eral days, as they always stop at the
Raleigh during a term of the court in
Alexandria.

COLORADO LEGISLATURE WILL MEET TO-DAY

(By Associated Press.)

DENVER, COLO., January 3.—At noon
to-morrow the Legislature, which will
settle the gubernatorial contest between
Governor Peabody and Alva Adams, will
be called to order. It is expected that
all of to-morrow will be required for the
work of organization, and that no action
will be taken that has a direct bearing
on the governorship. If anything is done
toward organization, it will be the set-
tlement of a contest, of which there are a
number, both in the Senate and the House.
A number of Democrats will be unseated.
The complexion of the Legislature on
joint ballot is as follows: Republicans,
66; Democrats, 33.

HOUSE BURNS WHILE GUESTS EAT.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

GREENSBORO, GA., Jan. 3.—While
Hon. Thomas E. Watson, recently Popu-
lar, presidential candidate, was eating
dinner at the home of T. A. Branch to-
day, the residence caught fire and was
completely destroyed. Mr. Watson and
the other guests lost their dinner while
their host lost his residence and practi-
cally all his contents.

IN FAMILY OF TEN BUT ONE ESCAPES FLAMES

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

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body got down to business. President
Peters rapped his gavel sharply upon the
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(By Associated Press.)

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teen, was either burned to death or smothered.
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the outskirts of Morris Run. There
were no immediate neighbors.

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but it is thought that a stove fell over
and the burning coal set fire to the
house.

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since last April.

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Run. Noweski and his family were
among the sufferers from the disease, but
every member of the family recovered,
and the quarantine had just been raised
from their home.

FIND OUT WHERE THE TROUBLE IS

Council to Investigate Causes
of Dissatisfaction With
Gas.

NAME JOINT COMMITTEE

Refuse to Leave It to Light
Committee and Superin-
tendent of Gas Works.

"Whereas the gas now being furnished
the citizens of Richmond is the cause of
much dissatisfaction on the part of con-
sumers, both from a heating and light-
ing standpoint, therefore be it

"Resolved, That a committee, consist-
ing of two from the Board of Aldermen
and three from the Common Council, be
appointed to make a thorough investiga-
tion of the conduct of the gas works and
the manufacture of gas, with a view to
ascertaining the cause or causes of the
trouble; and the said committee is au-
thorized to expend a sum not exceeding
\$500 to employ a gas expert to assist in
the investigation."

The above resolution was adopted by
the Common Council last night, after
much discussion, which made it evident
that the members are sharing the dis-
satisfaction and inconvenience of the
citizens on the subject.

The resolution is the creation of three
members. Mr. Pollock offered it origi-
nally and Mr. Pollard got in the expert
feature. An originally offered, it pro-
vided for the investigation to be carried on
by the Light Committee. Mr. Bottom got
in the amendment for the special joint
committee, and declared that the light
committeemen would be investigating
themselves.

Mr. Garber wanted Superintendent
Knowles added, but his motion was not
entertained. President Peters, declaring
from the chair that this was exactly
what was not wanted.

The only member voting against the
final adoption of the resolution was Mr.
Burt, of the Light Committee.

The matter will go to the Board next
Tuesday night.

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of the High Constable, was adopted. It
is understood that this officer objected
to the accountant examining his books,
contending that he had no authority so
to do under the present law.

The recommendations of Judge Witt
and the all commissioning us to the es-
tablishment of a hospital ward at the
jail, and the making of other improve-
ments there were referred to the Com-
mittee on Grounds and Buildings. The
resolution from the Water Committee,
allowing water extension to about twenty
citizens of Home Place, in Henrico
county, was agreed to without division.

The ordinance requiring the men en-
gaged in the work of cleaning the streets
to be "uniformed" was adopted; as was
also a resolution reimbursing Dr. Frat-
low, one of the physicians to the poor,
for telephone expenses in his office.

The body approved the awarding of
the contract for cleaning the streets to
Horace A. Oley on the terms pro-
posed by the Board of Aldermen. The re-
commendation of the committee was for
three years, but the Council refused to
approve this, as it was stated that it
was "likely" that many improvements
would be made at the Reservoir this
year, costing \$50,000 to \$75,000, and the
privileges there would be worth more
next year.

Case of Sergeant Otey.

The resolution to increase the police
force by one man, so as to retain former
Sergeant Jones A. Otey on the force pro-
posed discussion, Mr. Bottom leading off
in opposition.

Mr. Morton, the author of the resolu-
tion, spoke briefly in its favor, and it
was opposed by Mr. Lynch. Mr. Pollock
earnestly advocated the proposition, and
urged that this faithful officer, in the
service thirty-four years, should not be
turned out on the world when he had
been disabled in the discharge of his duty.

While Mr. Bottom was speaking against
the proposition, Mr. Spicer declared:
"What does he mean? Blair say about it?"
"I do not know," was Mr. Bottom's re-
ply. The question of Mr. Spicer created
a good deal of laughter, as Mr. Blair is
known in the body as something of a
reformer.

The resolution was lost—aye, 21; noes,
8. Its adoption requiring twenty-four af-
firmative votes, but it was reconsidered
and tabled, and will come up again.

The ordinance increasing the compen-
sation of the police officers was referred
to the Committee on Finance.

Pay of the Police Inspector.

An ordinance for the protection of the
five alarm boxes of the city was adopted,
and that to increase the salary of the
Police Inspector was referred.

There were many ordinances fixing

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A BLIZZARD SWEEPS VALLEY OF VIRGINIA

Snows All Day and Blown in
Great Drifts, Blocking
Railways.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINCHESTER, VA., January 3.—The
entire Valley of Virginia is to-night in
the grasp of a blinding snow storm,
which, at a late hour, threatens to suc-
cess in severity the great blizzard that
came yesterday. Snow has been falling since
early morning, and this evening a high
wind carried it in huge drifts along the
streets and railroads, completely paralyz-
ing local traffic and delaying all incoming
trains.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad has a
large force of extra men ready for emer-
gencies, and the Cumberland Valley Rail-
road has taken every precaution, but it is
not probable either road will be able to
send a train out from Winchester in the
near future. Telephone and electric
light wires were blown down to-night,
and most of the city is in total darkness.
After eluding the bride's parents, Albert
Cleveland and Miss Edith M. Charleston
were today married in Kenilworth by
Rev. Dr. Henry M. White, of the Pres-
byterian Church.

The bride is the daughter of G. E.
Charleston, of Winchester, is young and
pretty.

WOMAN'S HAIR IS FATAL EVIDENCE

Body Exhumed and Strands on
Negro's Coat Are
Identified.

BLOOD ON HIS UNDERSHIRT

Detectives Draw the Web of the
Law Tight Around William
Jones, Negro Murderer.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

GORDONSVILLE, VA., January 3.—
The gray hairs of Miss Clementine Pat-
tison, found on her murderer's clothes,
will likely lead to his extreme punish-
ment for the crime. The negro, William
Jones, who was arrested in Charlottesville,
and who has been in jail here
since, is, with little doubt, the brutal slayer
of this feeble and lonely old lady, whose
body was found in her doorway drenched
in her own blood and the house robbed
the night after Christmas.

Preliminary Hearing.

The negro was given a preliminary
hearing before Justice of the Peace Ross
this morning at 11 o'clock. Every foot
of standing room was taken, and so great
was the weight on the floor that at one
corner of the court room the floor began
to collapse, causing a temporary excite-
ment. The trial lasted two hours, Jones
being sent on to the grand jury. The
case was worked up by Sergeant Watkins,
assisted by Detective O. B. Lee, of
Richmond.

Perhaps the most damaging evidence
was that of Sergeant Watkins, who made
the arrest in Charlottesville. Mr. Wat-
kins brought with him the clothes and
undershirt worn by Jones on the day
of the murder in Gordonsville.

Blood and Gray Hairs.

The clothes contained many spots of
blood, as well as gray hairs, which cor-
responded with those cut from the head
of Miss Pattison since her murder. The
body of the aged woman was disinterred
and the comparison made, and little
doubt left of Jones's guilt.

Jones was taken to Orange to-day and
lodged in jail there to await the action
of the grand jury. The evidence produced
will no doubt convict him.

SWAYNE IMPEACHMENT UP IN HOUSE AGAIN

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 3.—It is
probable that the Swayne impeachment
case will be brought up in the House next
week and an extended discussion is ex-
pected. The seven members appointed
by the Speaker were unable to agree as
to the number or form of articles of
impeachment, and there no doubt will
be a majority and minority report. All
came yesterday to the House to discuss
the same lines as in the Judiciary Com-
mittee. The managers have been pre-
paring articles independently during the
holiday recess, and will meet soon and
consider them.

MRS. PATRICK CAMPBELL INJURED; ABANDONS TOUR

(By Associated Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Jan. 3.—Mrs.
Patrick Campbell, the English actress
fractured a knee-cap to-night, the result
of a fall while enacting a carriage to
the Broad Street Theatre. She was
removed to the University of Penn-
sylvania Hospital, and it will be two
months, the doctors say, before she will
be able to walk. The remainder of her
American tour will be abandoned.

STOESSSEL'S ARMY NOW PRISONERS

Terms of Capitulation
Announced: Officers
Are Free on Parole.

TALK OF PEACE OFFER BY JAPS

Prospect for End of War, How-
ever, Does Not Seem Bright.

The Fortress Formally
Handed Over to the
Japanese Yesterday.

Japanese Yes-
terday.

The people of St. Petersburg have re-
ceived with composure the news, known to
the rest of the world a day earlier, of the
fall of Port Arthur. The event had
been anticipated, and under official dis-
cussion the minds of the populace were
prepared to receive with resignation the
announcement of the fact by the publi-
cation of dispatches forwarded last week
by General Stoessel describing the straits
to which the garrison had been reduced.
The expectation in headquarters that the
surrender of the fortress would be fol-
lowed at the capital by anti-war demon-
strations, has been realized. So far
as there has been any expression of feel-
ing it has been for carrying on the war
with all the vigor possible.

At Tokyo last night the surrender of
Port Arthur was celebrated by a lantern
procession and a general illumination.
The Japanese flag will formally expose
the thanks of the nation to General Nogi
for his conduct of the siege.

Among Russian officials there is a
feeling that any proposals of peace that
may be made must be with the fact in
view that in case of peace must be
hastening Japan must recognize Russia's
right to free transit of its ships through
the waters of the Far East. The high
Japanese officials declare that there is
no probability of success coming from
their government looking toward peace
negotiations. In official quarters in St.
Petersburg it is said that no tender of
good offices from a third party would be
accepted, and that any proposal for peace
must come from Japan direct.

Articles of Capitulation.

The text of the articles of capitulation
for the Port Arthur garrison, agreed by
the commissioners, representing Gen-
eral Stoessel and General Nogi, has been
made public. All Russian soldiers, mil-
itaries and civil officials of the garrison
and harbor are made prisoners. All fort
batteries, munitions, etc., are
transferred to the Japanese in the con-
dition in which they existed at noon of
January 3d, violation of this clause to
operate as an annulment of the negotia-
tions, giving the Japanese army the right
to take free action. The Russian military
naval authorities are to furnish to the
Japanese army an exhibit of all fortifica-
tions, underground and submarine
mines, a list of military officers, of ships
and the numbers of their crews, and of
civilian of both sexes, with their
names, occupations, and all public prop-
erty, as buildings, munitions of war, etc., to
be left in the present position pending
arrangement for their transportation. Of-
ficers of the army and navy are
permitted to retain their swords and such
of their personal property as is directly
necessary for the maintenance of life,
and with one servant each, may, upon
signing their parole not to bear arms
during the war, return to their homes in
Russia. Non-commissioned officers
and privates will be held as prisoners.
For the benefit of the sick and
wounded Russians the military corps and
the accountants belonging to the army
will be permitted to remain to serve
army and naval hospitals and accountants
for such period of time as may be deemed
necessary.

CONVENTION SIGNED.

Officers Free on Parole—Army
of Twenty Thousand
Prisoners of War.

(By Associated Press.)

HEADQUARTERS OF THE JAPANESE
ARMY, JAN. 3.—The Japanese army
of twenty thousand, held between the
commissioners of General Stoessel and
General Nogi, at 1 o'clock this (Mon-
day) afternoon, the terms of surrender
were agreed upon, under which the Russian
officers both civil and military will be
allowed to march out, the military with
arms.

The officers will be granted full liberty
after giving promises not to take any
further part in the war.

The private and non-commissioned of-
ficers of the number of twenty thousand,
will be taken prisoners of war.

The surrendered fortress will be form-
ally handed over to the Japanese to-mor-
row (Tuesday).

The prisoners will march out January
4th.

The opposing troops are fraternizing.

Thanks to Nogi and Men.

(By Associated Press.)
TOKIO, Jan. 3.—Night—It is expected
that the Diet will now take a recess and
hold a special session for the purpose
of passing a vote of thanks to General
Nogi and the men of the third army.
A grand lantern procession in celebration
of the surrender of Port Arthur is being
held to-night and the city is splendidly
illuminated. Thousands of men carrying
flags and lanterns are marching the
streets and visiting and cheering the
various departments of the government.

The Baltic Fleet.

(By